

I cannot agree with HD Radio service on the AM band at night. The band is already washed in a sea of white noise, adding HD will only make matters worse. The system already stresses the NRSC curve past its intended use and I and many others have been witness to reliable nighttime analog service that is wiped away by first adjacents running HD Radio.

If we are to deliver digital to the American public, it should be the best possible system we can design, one that will make AM competitive with HD-FM and other digital sources. AM service is still very viable in this country with mandatory receiver design. That, and the development of a system that migrates the band so that available bandwidth is available, is the key to the survival of AM in the long term.